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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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Applicant : Carlos Duarte, et al.  
Application No. : 10/622,198  
Filed : July 18, 2003  
Title : SLIDE HINGE FOR SPA COVER

Confirmation No. 4042

Grp./Div. : 3676  
Examiner : Michael J. Kyle

Docket No. : 50229/MEG/F314

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March 10, 2005

Commissioner:

Enclosed is an amendment to the above-identified application.

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Paid For	Number Extra Claims	Small Entity Rate	Large Entity Rate	FEE
Total Claims Fee	21	*20	1	1 x \$25.00	x \$50.00	25.00
Independent Claims	4	** 3	1	1 x \$100.00	x \$200.00	100.00
Multiple Dependent Claims ***				\$180.00	\$360.00	0.00
TOTAL FILING FEE						125.00
NO ADDITIONAL FEE REQUIRED	IF NO FEE REQUIRED, INSERT "0"					
LIST INDEPENDENT CLAIMS: 1, 3, 6 and 13						
* IF HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR IS 20 OR LESS, WRITE "20" IN COLUMN 3						
** IF HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR IS 3 OR LESS, WRITE "3" IN COLUMN 3						
*** PAY THIS FEE ONLY WHEN MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS ARE ADDED FOR THE FIRST TIME						

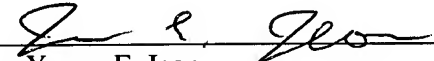
X \_\_\_\_\_ Attached is our check for \$125.00 to pay the fees calculated above.  
 \_\_\_\_\_ A Petition for Extension of Time and the required fee are enclosed.  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Other enclosures:

**Amendment Transmittal Letter**  
**Application No. 10/622,198**

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required by or to give effect to this paper to Deposit Account No. 03-1728. Please show our docket number with any charge or credit to our Deposit Account. **A copy of this letter is enclosed.**

Respectfully submitted,

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**AMENDMENT**

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Commissioner:

In response to the Office action of December 10, 2004,  
please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims  
which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 9 of this paper.

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